## **UINTAH CITY, UTAH**

## **DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY**

Date: June 1, 2011

WHEREAS, the City of Uintah, Utah, has suffered and continues to suffer flooding and damage from the Weber River to homes and property, due to persistent and recurring heavy rain, snow, and snowmelt run-off throughout the month of May 2011; and

WHEREAS, continued snowmelt runoff is expected to be at and/or above flood stage on the Weber River for the next two weeks, through at least June 14, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the City of Uintah, Utah, has suffered flood damage, broken canal walls, and damaged intake culverts for its system of irrigation canals, and further damage is extremely likely; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Uintah, Utah, continues to mobilize City employees and local residents to defend against flooding by means of sand bagging and other measures to protect homes, other real property, and crop and grazing land; and

WHEREAS, the City of Uintah is a political subdivision of Weber County in the state of Utah; and

WHEREAS, the following conditions exist and are on-going:

- 1. The Weber River and the overflowing Pioneer Canal continue to threaten homes and property with flooding; and
- 2. Widespread sand bagging has been done and continues throughout Uintah City in an effort to prevent additional damage; and
- 3. The bridge over the Weber River at the western end of Uintah on 6600 South is threatened by a build-up of debris and broken river banks, and an influx of silt has continued to fill in the river's central channel; and
- 4. City residents should be warned of the current and impending danger from river flooding and likely property damage; and
- 5. There is a need to dredge the Weber River for a deepened central channel, and to shore up and strengthen existing river banks; and
- 6. There is a need to rectify problems with the irrigation canals, and to restore them to normal and proper functioning.

**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to Utah Code Annotated, 63K-4-301 on behalf of the residents of Uintah City in Weber County, I declare a **State of Local Emergency**.

Dated: Que Z, 2011

**Uintah City Mayor** 

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City Recorder